RECAP 2003: What's New?

This overview does not address all of the changes to RECAP but rather highlights the changes that affect daily implementation of the program. The information below only represents a brief synopsis of each change; please refer to the referenced section to review the change(s) in detail. Other text within the document has been added/changed/moved/deleted for clarification purposes. For a comprehensive review of all changes made to RECAP 2000, refer to the proposed revisions and/or the technical amendments documents which contain tracking (red print and strikeout/underline) for easy identification and review of the changes.

1.0 Introduction

• The introduction contains a couple of statements regarding the transition of an ongoing project from RECAP 2000 to RECAP 2003. In general, the management of an AOC/AOI may continue under RECAP 2000 until the current phase/task of the project has been completed and approved by the Department. Further assessment of the AOC/AOI shall be in compliance with RECAP 2003 unless otherwise approved by the Department.

2.1 Program Terminology

• Revised definitions of ARAR, enclosed structure, surface soil, subsurface soil, and surface water

2.4 Data Quality Assurance/Quality Control Requirements

 Data used under RECAP shall be obtained from a laboratory accredited by the State of Louisiana.

2.5 Data Evaluation and Data Useability

• Added RECAP Form 3 Analytical Data Evaluation (Appendix C).

2.6.1.2 Site-specific Considerations for the Identification of the AOI

• New section - Additional guidance on the identification of the AOI based on site-specific conditions.

2.6.1.3 Soil AOI

• The three soil intervals defined in RECAP 2000 [Surface soil (0-3 ft bgs), potential surface soil (0-15 ft bgs), and subsurface soil (> 15 ft bgs)] have been replaced with two soil intervals: surface soil (0-15 ft bgs) and subsurface soil (>15 ft bgs) in RECAP 2003.

2.6.2 Identification of the COC

• Text has been added to clarify how to identify the COC for each option.

2.7 Exposure Assessment (formerly Development and Use of a Conceptual Site Model)

• Section renamed and revised to include the exposure assessment text formerly present in Section 6.4.

2.8.2 AOIC for MO-1, MO-2, and MO-3 Assessments

- Exposure concentration/source concentration terminology replaced with AOI concentration (AOIC).
- Section revised to be consistent with redefined soil intervals of 0-15ft bgs and >15 ft bgs.
- Added guidance on determining AOIC for Soiles.
- Added guidance on the use of weight-wet vs dry weight data.

2.9 Land Use

Minor corrections to NAICS group numbers defining industrial land use.

2.10 Groundwater Use

• For aquifers hydraulically connected to a surface water body, the zone may be classified as groundwater 3 zone if the Submitter adequately demonstrates that the well yield measurements are influenced by pumpage from the surface water body.

2.11 Groundwater Point of Exposure/Point of Compliance

• Added guidance on the identification of the POC and the POE for GW_{es} and GW_{air}.

2.12 Screening Standards and RECAP Standards

- New section added that defines all of the SS and RS.
- Text formerly in Section 6.8.3 now located in Section 2.12.6.
- Major changes to the identification and application of RS:
 - ➤ GW_{air} is required to be included in the identification of the limiting RS for MO-1, MO-2, and MO-3 for groundwater (GW 1, 2, and 3 zones) present at a depth of < 15 ft bgs that is impacted with a volatile constituent (MO-1 GW_{air} values are included in Table 3).
 - ➤ The GW_{es} pathway may now be addressed under MO-1 (MO-1 GW_{es} values are now included in Table 3).
 - ➤ The Soil_{es} pathway may now be addressed under MO-1 (MO-1 Soil_{es} values are now included in Table 2).

Section 2.13 Identification of a Background Concentration

- Minimum of 4 data points are required to establish a site-specific background level.
- If the background data set consists of ≤ 7 data points, then the arithmetic average shall be used to represent background level.
- If the background data set consist of ≥ 8 data points, the background level maybe based on the arithmetic average + one standard deviation (refer to 2.13 for more details).

Section 2.14.2 ARARs

 New section on the use of ARARs under RECAP; new FAQ on the use of an OSHA PEL as an ARAR under RECAP (site-specific determinations to be made by the Toxicological Services Section).

Section 2.14.4 Acute Health Risks

• New section that addresses the issue of possible health risks associated with short-term exposure for sensitive subpopulations (children/metals in soil). This is generally not a concern for the sites dealt with on a day-to-day basis.

Section 2.14.5 Ecological Risks

• New section that provides additional clarification on defining acceptable ecological risks for ecological risk assessments.

Section 2.15 Identification of Toxicity Values

 New section that provides guidance on the identification of toxicity values for the development of SS and MO-1 RS for COC not in Tables 1-3 and for the development of MO-2 and MO-3 RS. Toxicity assessment text that was formerly in Section 6.5 is now located in this section.

Section 2.16 Monitored Natural Attenuation

• Additional guidance on the use of MNA under RECAP (consistent with EPA guidance).

Section 2.17 Institutional Controls

- Clarification that if the residual COC concentration in soil is $> Soil_{ni}$, then a conveyance notification shall be place on the property.
- Clarification that if the residual COC concentration in a groundwater 2 aquifer is $> GW_2$ (w/o DF2), then a conveyance notice shall be place on the portion of the plume within the property boundaries.

Section 2.18 Self-Implementation of RECAP

• Additional guidance on self-implementation of site investigation.

Section 2.19 Demonstration on Compliance with RECAP Standards

• New section that provides guidance on demonstrating that an AOI complies with RECAP.

Section 2.20 Identification of Landowners, Lessees, and Servitude Holders

• New section that sets forth landowner identification requirements for offsite migration.

Section 3.0

• Added a summary of general data requirements for the SO for easy reference.

Section 3.1.1 General Criteria

• Omitted the criteria that the same receptor is not exposed to the same COC via soil and groundwater.

Section 3.1.2 Criteria for Impacted Soil

Additional exceptions listed for the criterion based on area of impacted soil < 0.5 acre.

Section 3.4 SO Submittal Requirements

Additional submittal requirements (RECAP forms, Appendix C) for the SO.

Section 4.0 Management Option 1

- GW_{air}, GW_{es}, and Soil_{es} pathways may be addressed under MO-1; default RS are presented in Tables 2 and 3.
- Added a summary of general data requirements for MO-1 for easy reference.

Section 4.1.1 General Criteria

- Omitted the criterion that the same receptor is not exposed to the same COC via soil and groundwater. MO-1 RS can be adjusted to account for additive effects due to exposure to soil and groundwater (via drinking).
- Omitted the criterion that the soil to enclosed structure is not of concern at the AOI. The soil to enclosed structure pathway may be addressed under MO-1.

Section 4.1.2 Criteria for Impacted Soil

• Additional exceptions listed for the criterion based on area of impacted soil < 0.5 acre.

Section 4.1.3 Criteria for Impacted Groundwater

- Omitted the criterion that the groundwater to enclosed structure pathway is not of concern at the AOI. The groundwater to enclosed structure pathway may be addressed under MO-1.
- Omitted the criterion that the groundwater to ambient pathway is not of concern at the AOI. The groundwater to ambient air pathway may be addressed under MO-1.

Section 4.3 MO-1 Submittal Requirements

Additional submittal requirements (RECAP forms, Appendix C) for MO-1.

Section 5.0 Management Option 2

• Added a summary of general data requirements for MO-2 for easy reference.

Section 5.3 MO-2 Submittal Requirements

• Additional submittal requirements (RECAP forms, Appendix C) for MO-2.

Section 6.0 Management Option 3

- Option MO-3A (baseline risk assessment) has been omitted; the Submitter must develop site-specific MO-3 RS.
- Added a summary of general data requirements for MO-3 for easy reference.

Section 6.9 MO-3 Submittal Requirements

Additional submittal requirements (RECAP forms) for MO-3.

Tables 1, 2, and 3

- SS and RS updated based on revised EPA toxicity values and default parameters.
- Table 2 includes MO-1 Soiles.
- Table 3 includes MO-1 GW_{es} and GW_{air}.

Appendix B

- Clarification of air sampling guidelines.
- Added groundwater reporting submittal requirements.

Appendix C

- Added a number of new submittal forms to promote consistency in RECAP submittals received by the Department and thus assist the Department in the review of submittals.
- Ecological checklist (RECAP Form 18): The area of impacted soil that triggers a screening level ecological risk assessment has been increased from 1 acre to 5 acres.

Appendix D

- TPH redefined the carbon ranges for TPH-G, TPH-D, and TPH-O to be consistent with SW846 Method 8015 B.
- TPH- changes in the methods recommended for the analysis of the TPH fractions and TPH-G, D, and O mixtures.
- TPH- added target organ/critical effect table for petroleum constituents.
- Updated lead model default values.
- Added surrogate toxicity values for a few PAHs.
- Added guidance for addressing polychlorinated dioxins and furans suing the TEF approach.
- Added guidance for addressing nontraditional parameters (chlorides, pH, etc).

Appendix G

- Revised examples of additivity.
- Added a table of the target organs/critical effects for the COC listed in Tables 1-3.

Appendices H, I, J

- Appendices H (SO), I (MO-1), and J (MO-2) were combined into one appendix.
- Guidelines for MO-3 are included.
- A table of contents was added and all of the equations have been numbered for easy reference.
- Default values were updated based on current EPA recommendations.
- The C_a (acceptable air concentrations) values for the calculation of the Soil_{es}, GW_{es}, and GW_{air} have been revised to include the use of LAC 33.III Ch. 51 Table 51.2 air standards in addition to risk-based standards (as calculated under RECAP 2000). Refer to Section H2.3 for further details.
- Added additional guidance on the identification and application of the limiting SS and RS and other site data (SPLP, indoor air sampling, etc).

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Appendix I

- Formerly Appendix K.
 Updated to be consistent with other revisions to the document.
 Added a table of contents for easier reference.